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Wednesday - 15 October 1969

1. (Unclassified - GLC) Alerted Larry McHugh, on the staff of the Joint Economic Committee, to the fact that our contributions to the Committee's Soviet study were forwarded to the Library of Congress last week. Mr. McHugh had not been advised of this by the Library and appreciated my call.
2. (Confidential - GLC) In view of his prior notice to us of a letter which the Secretary of Defense had received from the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy regarding the William Beecher article of 9 October, I advised Frank Hand, DOD Liaison, that the Agency had been contacted today by ACDA regarding a letter they had received from the Joint Committee concerning Beecher's article of 2 October. I told Hand that it was the 2 October article on which we had received an inquiry from the Joint Committee.
3. (Unclassified - GLC) Left with Ed Braswell, on the staff of the Senate Armed Services Committee, our paper showing the changes which would be made in various sections of the CIA Retirement Act by our proposed Daniels/McGee type amendments.
4. (Secret - GLC) Briefed William Woodruff, on the staff of the Senate Appropriations Committee, on Soyuz 6, 7, and 8. I also brought him up-to-date on the most recent information regarding Soviet missiles.



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Friday - 10 October 1969

1. (Confidential - GLC) Provided George Murphy, on the staff of the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy, with a report "Soviet Design and Development of Advanced Digital Computers."

2. (Unclassified - GLC) Hand carried to Mrs. Verda Barnes, Administrative Assistant to Senator Frank Church (D., Idaho), a suggested reply to a constituent inquiry from [REDACTED] covering Agency authorities for declining to provide information in connection with the Green Beret case.

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3. (Secret - GLC) Hand carried to Ed Braswell, on the staff of the Senate Armed Services Committee, an Agency report entitled: "Panama, one Year After the Coup" in connection with Senator Stennis' expressed interest in Panama.

I also provided Braswell with a package of materials in connection with our request for legislation comparable to the Daniels / McGee bills.

4. (Internal Use Only - JGO) Met with Frank Slatinshek, House Armed Services Committee staff, and scheduled a meeting for Tuesday afternoon, 14 October, to discuss our proposed amendments to the Agency retirement bill. The Committee's workload is such that Frank is committed through the weekend and does not have the necessary one hour to meet with us before Tuesday.

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Thursday - 9 October 1969

1. (Confidential - GLC) George Murphy, Joint Committee on Atomic Energy staff, called and said that he would like to see a copy of the Agency's study on Soviet computers. Murphy is interested in this because he understands that proposals are being made for the U.S. to send sophisticated computers to Soviet atomic energy laboratories. Murphy is opposed to this and wishes to learn as much as he can about the state of the art in the Soviet Union. He was advised by the Atomic Energy Commission that the Agency had such a study. I told him I would look into this and be in touch with him.

Murphy also referred to an article in yesterday's Washington Star concerning two spies who were arrested and subsequently freed and may be the subjects of an exchange arrangement. He would like any information that we might have on

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2. (Internal Use Only - GLC) Talked with Ed Braswell, Chief of Staff, Senate Armed Services Committee, about our interest in getting legislation which would provide benefits comparable to those contained in the Daniels/McGee bill for the CIA retirement system. Braswell made the following points:

a. He is not at all sympathetic to those persons who are pressing for maximum retirement benefits on top of cost-of-living increases but he sees no reason why the increased benefits for the CIA system cannot carry the same effective date as the McGee/Daniels legislation.

b. They will be tied up in conference meetings on the military procurement bill for the next two weeks.

c. He suggests that we press for action in the House committee first since as he put it Stennis does not like to "carry the torch" on retirement-type legislation.

d. While he is cool to the possibility of our obtaining statutory authority for the Director to adopt Civil Service retirement benefits by administrative action, he did not completely rule out this possibility.

It was agreed that I would provide Braswell with our retirement package including our draft language for administrative authorities. He will review it at his earliest opportunity and then get together with us.

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Friday - 3 October 1969

1. (Secret - JGO) Met with Mr. Robert Michaels, House Appropriations Committee staff, who advised that no further action or conversations have been undertaken with DOD representatives concerning [ ] since the Chairman's letter to the DOD Comptroller. He expressed the opinion that from the information given the Committee this is a matter which should now be left to the technicians.

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2. (Internal Use Only - JGO) Met with Mrs. Strand, in the office of Representative Ogden Reid (R., N.Y.), and told her that approval had been granted for the meeting with the International Relations Studies Group of the Good Counsel College for November 5. Mrs. Strand will obtain the names of the participants and review the transportation arrangements that have been made by the group to get them to the Headquarters Building. [ ] has been advised.

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3. (Confidential - JGO) In response to his request of earlier in the week concerning a former employee, [ ] I advised Mr. John Walsh, House Government Operations Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations staff, that [ ] had left the Agency for employment in private industry at a higher salary and that from her record at the time of departure she would be considered reemployable by the Agency. (See Journal item of 1 October.)

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4. (Confidential - GLC) Hand carried to Mr. Ed Braswell, Senate Armed Services Committee staff, a blind memo on the Panama Canal which was prepared by OCI in response to a request made to the Director by Senator Stennis at our budget briefing last week.

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